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## *Editorial*

### **Convention 1964**

The 18th Annual Convention of the Society was a notable event in many ways. It saw the election, in the person of Mrs. S. Barratt, of the Society's first woman President; the award of well-merited Fellowships to two of the most well-known of the Society's many personalities, Sir George Williamson and Dr. Charles Hollingsworth; some superb stamp displays of such exceptional quality that no one envied the judges in their task of making awards; and the organisation of five study groups which easily measured up to (if not exceeded) the high standards which are always associated with this meeting. Finally it is perhaps worth recording that the sun was much more in evidence than members really had a right to expect, even in Worthing.

### **Convention 1965**

Preliminary arrangements are already under way for the organisation of next year's Convention. This is to be held at the lovely Allan Water Hotel at Bridge of Allan, Stirlingshire—a first class hotel in the historic and scenic heart of Scotland as the management claims with very obvious pride and a great deal of justification. Further details are published on page 209.

### **Maple Leaves**

One of the matters discussed by your Committee at its annual meeting was the question of widening the appeal of this journal and making it of more interest to younger or less highly specialised collectors. It is not, however, an easy matter to judge the extent to which there is a demand for what might be called beginners' articles if that demand is inarticulate. When this subject was last broached (in February) only one member took the trouble to express an interest in the matter. This is scarcely a sufficient basis upon which to work.

### **Editorial Policy**

It is our policy to try to cater for all the interests of our members, not all (or even most) of whom would describe themselves as "specialists", even in the much abused sense of the word. Nevertheless a glance through back numbers of this journal quickly reveals that we have a highly-specialised bias towards the study of B.N.A. philately and postmarks. Apart from the publication of details of new stamp issues there is very little to be found which could be of help to newcomers in the amazingly complex field of B.N.A. philately. We must freely admit, therefore, that our achievements fall very far short of our aims, and it is anybody's guess to what extent this may account for the lack of interest shown by many who remain purely nominal members.

It is the responsibility of a Society such as ours to undertake to cater for the interests of the tyro and the expert alike. The former is the 'specialist' of tomorrow and it is upon the encouragement and help of keen beginners that philately depends for its continued existence.

In our next issue, therefore, we shall publish an introductory article on the 1897-1898 "Maple Leaves" and "Numeral" issues. We have chosen these as good subjects by virtue of the important facts that the stamps are still reasonably easy to acquire and have many interesting features which should make their study a fascinating one both for beginners and those who need to "brush up" their knowledge.

The publication of further articles along these lines in later issues, however, will very much depend upon the reactions of readers and especially of those who would claim to be general collectors of Canadian stamps with no pretensions to being "specialists." These we must earnestly ask to let us know: (a) whether more articles of a similar nature would be welcomed or (b) what alternatives they have in mind. There is absolutely no need for this to take much time or trouble. A few words on a postcard will serve our purposes well and will help us to meet as many of our members' needs as possible. We would emphasize again, however, that we make no claims to be able to gauge members interests intuitively, by divination, by black magic or by crystal-gazing. We shall depend upon all the help that members can give.

### **Contributions**

During the past year we have been greatly indebted to a small but select band of contributors who have made our task an easy one and if any congratulations are due it must be on account of the excellence of the articles published. All that we have been concerned to do has been to present them as attractively as possible, a comparatively easy matter. Our gratitude to contributors must not blind us, however, to the fact that it is by no means a good thing to be solely dependent upon a few stalwarts. They cannot, in the nature of things, be expected to bear all the burden all the time; yet this is exactly what we are demanding of them at the moment. If we have any ambitions for 1965 as far as this journal is concerned it is to see at least one new name at the heading of an article in every issue published. By the time this is published the Christmas holidays will be upon us and this appeal for help in the form of ideas and contributions may very easily be overlooked. Please help to avoid this by making a note NOW to do your bit in the NEW YEAR. We shall be waiting to hear from you.

# P.E.I. THREEPENNY BLUE

By Sir GEORGE WILLIAMSON, F.C.P.S.

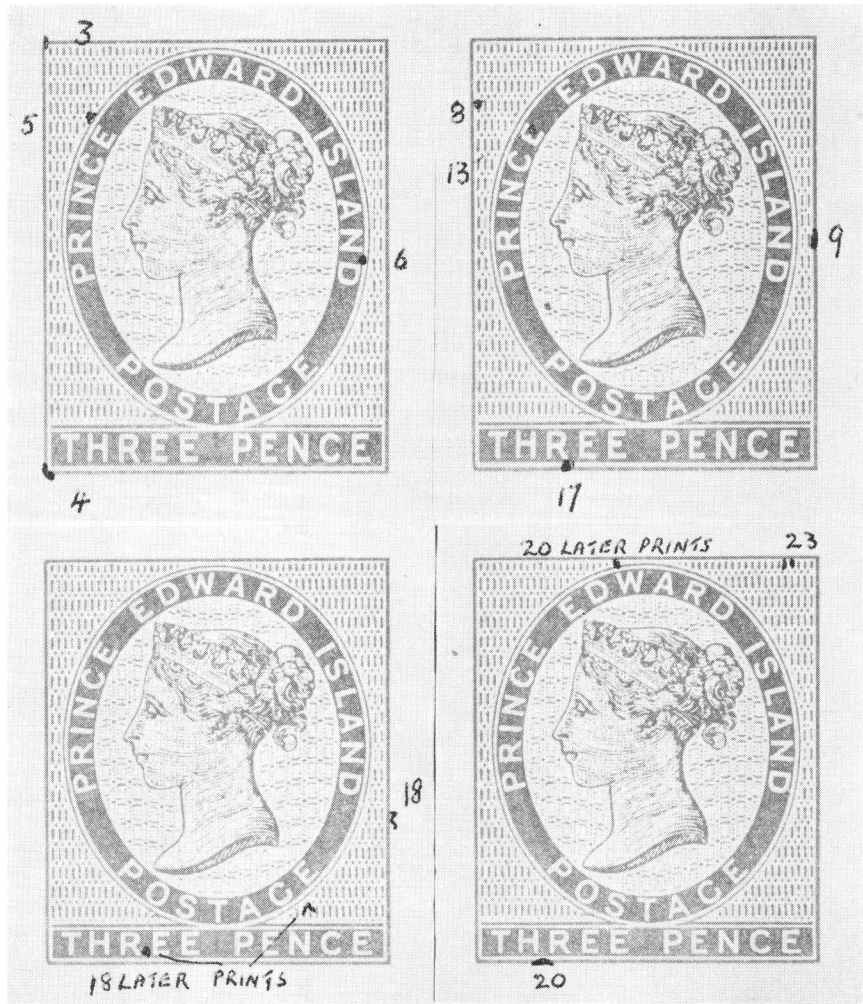
Further to the notes of P.E.I. 3d. which appeared on Page 214 of Vol. 9, I have had further assistance in studying this stamp. In the previous article I was able to confirm that there was a constant flaw from the first printing with Perf 9 on stamps numbered 1, 7, 10, 12 and 22, but was unable to trace the later known flaws on stamps Nos. 2, 16 and 19. These I have not yet seen on a Perf 9 stamp. As is explained later I know there is no constant flaw on stamp No. 2 in the Perf 9 printing.

Since that article was penned I have found a different flaw on each of the 30 stamps of the later printings all of which appear constant so far as the last printing is concerned. I have only, up to now, seen these flaws on 14 of the 9 Perf stamps in addition to the five mentioned above, i.e. 19 stamps in all. These are:—

3. Left frame line extended upwards slightly.
4. Slight bulge lower left corner.
5. Flaw in background above and slightly to left of E of Prince.
6. Coloured dot in white oval between N and D of Island, and in later printings there is a background flaw above and between D and W of Edward.
8. Coloured dot extreme left of 4th line of background.
9. Slight weakness in frameline (right) opposite N of Island.
13. Centre leg of E of Prince deformed. In later printings a smudge appears between P & O of Postage of varying size.
17. Dot below tail of R of Three (see 25).
18. (a) Short uneven line of colour outside right frame line about  $\frac{1}{3}$  from foot. In later printings the following additional flaws appear:
  - (i) Full stop after R of three (white).
  - (ii) Flaw in background above N of pence.
20. (a) Part of frame line below H & R of three weak. In later printings a background flaw over W of Edward appears.
23. Slight flaw top row of background right.
24. (a) Background pattern causes an apparent bulge over A of Postage. In later printings a flaw in background over N of pence.
25. Dot under upright of R of three R (see 17).
26. Left frame line extended low.

Blocks and pieces I have seldom seen, in fact, only three. 2 blocks of 4 and one strip of 4, and these between them only covered the N.E. corner stamps 3 to 5 and 8 to 10 all inclusive plus No.2 on a strip of four and this stamp had no flaw. This strip of 4 is on a cover in the possession of Mr. Crosby at Banff. If more blocks can be studied perhaps more of the first printing can be found without a flaw or the following flaws found on later printings and not yet seen by me on a 9 Perf may be confirmed as being constant throughout:—

11. Flaw in background right 3rd row from top.
14. White line downwards from where chin joins neck.
15. Right frame line very thick and small dot in oval between R and I of Prince.



21. Small spot of colour on neck near Adam's apple.
27. Dot on N of Pence.
28. Dot under H of three.
29. Slight doubling lower left frame line just above value tablet also right frame line thicker for the lower 1/6th.
30. Flaw in S of Postage.

With regard to the others 2, 16 and 19, these were explained in the earlier article.



### ADMIRAL STUDY GROUP

Members are advised that a postal Study Group for the Admiral issues has now been formed under the leadership of Mr. J. L. Bacon of 50, Mersey Road, Sale, Cheshire to whom all communications for membership or information should be sent.

### CONVENTION AUCTION 1964

Members will be interested to learn that sales at the above auction in Worthing realised £797, a decrease of £376 on last year's total. A list of prices realised is available from the Librarian, Mr. Roland Greenhill at The Shieling, Village Way, Little Chalfont, Amersham, Bucks. There is no charge but postage will be appreciated.

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The first 8 cent stamp produced by the Canada Post Office since 1946 was issued on 18th November.

The new stamp is intended to replace a former 7 cent stamp made obsolete by a recent increase in air mail rates to the United States. In addition to facilitating prepayment of air mail letters, the stamp will be used for parcel post and for first class letters weighing between one and two ounces for delivery within Canada.

The Postmaster General said that the design of the stamp is a re-working of the seven cent regular issue released on 11th March, 1964. The only change is in the numeral seven which has been replaced by an eight. The central feature of the design is a modern inter-city jet aircraft taking off from a Canadian terminal.

Since the air mail rate change went into effect on 15th July, the Post Office Department has provided an overprinted stamp with the seven defaced and an eight printed above it. Supplies of this stamp will soon be exhausted and the new eight cent issue will take its place.

### The Exchange Packet

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# ***Newfoundland Corner***

By Dr. R. WILLAN, F.C.P.S.

## **Newfoundland Postmarks outside St. John's**

Prior to 1851 there was but one Post Office and one Postal Official in Newfoundland—at St. John's—and there was no organised system of communications with the rest of the island. In 1851 two postal routes were initiated from St. John's, the northern to Twillingate and the southern to Harbour Britain. On these routes 14 Post Offices and 10 Way Offices were established, and to each of these 3 hand stamps were issued, supplied by the G.P.O., London.

No. 1 illustrated, 25 mm and showing the date, was struck in black on the face of all letters handled at the office, both outgoing and incoming. It was not the usual practice at the outports to backstamp mail as was done at St. John's. In addition No. 3, also 25 mm, was struck in red on outgoing mail which had been prepaid. This stamp was not dated, but sometimes the amount paid was written in red inside the circle. No. 2 was impressed in black on mail handed over to the Post Office by the captains of ships coming into the harbour. In 1857 adhesive stamps were introduced for the prepayment of postage, but at first these were little used and most of the mail was stamped as before. When adhesives were used, No. 1 was struck in black. Unlike St. John's, the outports did not use the red "paid" stamp with adhesives. No. 1 continued to be used at most offices until about 1882.

Additional offices were opened, and in 1863 the southern route was extended to Lapoile and Channel. The new offices did not have stamps issued like those of the earlier offices, but shortly afterwards a new type of date stamp appears, being found in the late 1860's and early 1870's. In a 24 mm circle, the name is in large sans serif letters, and the date is in three lines of seriffed type. By far the best known of this group is Lapoile, No. 4, with a small ornament at the bottom, but some offices have in this position the letters N.F. (No. 5), the first stamps outside St. John's with any indication of the Colony. I think there may have been quite a number of this type, but few are known and they are rarely seen owing to the scarcity of covers. The commonness of the Lapoile stamp is due to the fact that this office, in defiance of regulations, habitually used its date stamp as an obliterator, and the impression is frequently found on loose stamps of the 1866 issue. Placentia, one of the original 24 offices which had No. 1, evidently lost or damaged that stamp, as it had one precisely like Lapoile in use at the same period. Another 1851 office which had an early replacement is Ferryland, but in this case (No. 6), the letters of the name and N.F. are seriffed, and there appears to have been no date type, as the date is inserted in ms.

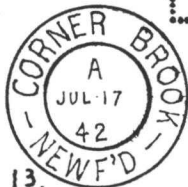
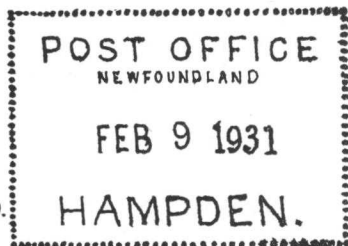
In 1872 the southern route was extended to Bonne Bay, and in 1882 the postal service encircled the entire island. Many new offices were opened, and a new type of postmark was issued to these, and to older offices needing replacement. This type is No. 7. The hammers were made by Pritchard and Andrews in Ottawa, and the late Mr. Dan Meyerson, did a most useful piece of work in copying the Newfoundland hammers from the firm's proof book of postmarks made from 1876 to 1895. The postmarks have the name, the abbreviation "NEWF'D" and





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two small arcs, with the date in two lines, all in a sans serif type. They vary from 19 to 23 mm in diameter, and are much the most common type of postmark from 1880 to the union of Newfoundland with Canada in 1949. Many offices had more than one hammer over the years. These usually differed in size, but as the difference is only small, and accurate measurement is difficult with anything but a perfect strike, it is easier to measure the arcs, which differ far more than the diameter of the postmark.

Just before 1900 a number of new offices were opened, and some at least of these were issued with duplex hammers, all indetical in type, No. 8. I have no information on who made them. It was presumably not Pritchard and Andrews, as the two duplex hammers that firm made for St. John's are of a totally different type. The duplex postmarks were only used for a short time, to about 1906. They are scarce, with Corner Brook and Avondale the commonest, and I cannot say how many offices used them, again owing to scarcity of covers. The killer part is often found on the stamps of the 1897 Royal issue, but the name and date would normally be on the cover. The best hope off cover is a pair of stamps with the date mark on one and the killer on the other. I have a fine strike of Norris' Arm in this way, and a less fine one of Lance Cove. However, if you do find the date part alone it is recognisable as a duplex, as the 25 mm circle with "NEWFOUNDLAND" in full, has no resemblance to any other Newfoundland postmark. If any member has any of these strikes, or of the types No. 4 to No. 6, I should be very interested to hear of them.

No. 10 shows the last big group of Newfoundland postmarks. It is a rectangular rubber stamp, and was issued to a large number of offices over the period from about 1923 to 1945. It is invariably struck in coloured ink, usually mauve, sometimes green, blue or violet.

The remaining illustrations are of various odd types of postmark. At the beginning of this century, Harbor Grace had No. 9, the only postmark I know with double arcs. No. 12 is another strike from the same place which I have not seen elsewhere, which is remarkable as it is a common type in the T.P.O's and at St. John's. The rubber oval postmark of the Grenfell Association, No. 14, is the only oval postal stamp I know outside St. John's. The large oval telegraph stamps are often seen, but they should not have been used on letters and they seem to emanate usually from the home towns of philatelically-minded clergymen. No. 13 is the only stamp of this type which I know for ordinary postal use, though there are a few similar ones for special purposes such as Money Order Departments. It is also the only one I know apart from St. John's and the T.P.O's with any indicia in addition to the date.

A few marks similar to No. 11 are found from 1939, varying in size, but all large, some having single and some double circles. No. 16 is a lone type as far as I have seen, but there are a few similar to No. 15 after 1940. I have not illustrated a few marks which appeared in 1946 in a double circle about 32 mm diameter with the date in one line and the name in seriffed letters, some in capitals and ome in upper and lower case type.

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**See page 209 for very  
Important  
Convention Announcement**

## STUDY-CIRCLES, 1964 CONVENTION

These were well up to previous high standards, and were greatly appreciated by everyone present.

Appropriately enough, our Founder-President "STEVIE" opened the proceedings on Wednesday evening with a display of *Admirals* which as usual aroused immense interest and comment. On the following day, (Thursday) NORMAN TODD gave the morning display, confining his exhibits and remarks mainly to the very modern issues, many interesting varieties of which were displayed, also some lathework varieties of the Admirals which do not appear to have been hitherto recorded. Our younger members should look very carefully at the modern issues; there appears to be scope for research even there. The evening session evoked considerable interest and discussion—Major ELLIS's fine array of *Large and Small Cents Q.V's* included many lovely unusual items, with rare re-entries on the 1 c. Small Qn., etc. In the unavoidable absence of Major Ellis, the commentary was made by Mr. J. J. BONAR. Some expert criticism was made that odd items were incorrectly classified, but this can easily be rectified, and it in no way marred the pleasure this display aroused, with something for everyone to enthuse about.

On Friday further treats were in store, when during the morning Session Mr. W. WILLIAMS displayed some of his delightful "*Small Cents Q.V's*." Several other members present also produced "Small Queens," and much discussion ensued. The question of shades inevitably arose, and a suggested description for the 10 c. *Salmon-Pink* was "middle-cut" (one might do worse!). The evening session was also full of interest, with the outstanding *Squared-Circle Postmarks* of STANLEY COHEN on view. These were ably presented by Dr. Charles Hollingsworth, whose personal knowledge of the subject enabled him to deal most efficiently with any queries that arose. This display was really magnificent, and gave immense pleasure, the types and varieties being most fully dealt with. Quite a number of the items displayed were either unique or nearly so. Even after such a feast is this, it was to be noted that several members were browsing through the auction lots until midnight!

JIM CATER

### SEASON'S GREETINGS

and every good wish to all  
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**E. A. Smythies**

## The Northwest Passage Company

As we reported in our August issue the *NORTHLAND PRINCESS* sailed from Vancouver on 17th July with the intention of navigating the Northwest Passage in both directions.

We have now learnt, however, that the attempt was abortive. The 107-foot converted naval Fairmile was unable to pass the Shumagin Islands to the west of the Gulf of Alaska. Some of the worst weather experienced in the north for fifty years was encountered with the result that heavy seas flooded the pilot house and short-circuited all the electrical installations.

According to her captain, Squadron Leader Alexander, it was impossible to take a navigational sight and reliance had to be placed on a magnetic compass and a small transistor radio. When the latter was stolen at Squaw Bay the vessel had to proceed without navigational aids at all.

At one time the ship sought shelter off the Simeonof Island where the main engines broke down and the vessel drifted on to a shingle beach, fortunately without causing much damage. After repairs had been effected the voyage continued to Lazy Bay in Unga Island.

The Northland Princess returned quite uneventfully to Vancouver via the Inside Passage.

(We are indebted to our member Ken Barlow for this report which is acknowledged with thanks.)

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# The Postal History of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick 1754-1867

By C. M. Jephcott, F.R.P.S.L.,

V. G. Greene, R.D.P., F.R.P.S.L., and John H. M. Young

When your reviewer was a young and ardent collector of British North American stamps, he greatly deplored the fact that the majority of philatelic authors completely ignored one of the most interesting facets of collecting and study, viz. covers and the rates of postage.

Doubtless the immense amount of investigation required to discover sources which would reveal the rates prevented the early Philatelists from including this information in their publications.

Students of the postal history of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia will therefore be delighted with this new publication covering as it does every sphere of the postal history of the Maritime Provinces.

The three authors, all with very great reputations in B.N.A. circles, are to be congratulated on the production of this meritorious work.

The Honourable Henry D. Hicks, Q.C., D.C.L., President of Dalhousie University, has written the Foreword in which he suggests that this publication, together with the magnificent volume by Nicholas Argenti on the postage stamps of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, published by the Royal Philatelic Society in 1962, provides for collectors of the Maritime Provinces a study which it would be difficult to equal in any field of philatelic literature; all who digest the information contained in this volume will doubtless agree with him.

The authors have simplified the "contents" by listing seventeen major chapters: one deals exclusively with the History of the Maritime Provinces, three following chapters cover the Postal History from 1754 to 1800, from 1800 to 1818 and from 1818 to 1843, whilst chapters five and six deal entirely with Nova Scotia and New Brunswick Postal History from 1843 to 1867.

The following chapters cover Courier and Stage Coach Routes, Railway Communications, Packet and Ship Letter Mail, Coastal Communications, Forwarding Agents and Express Companies. Chapter twelve deals with the Postage Rates to 1851 and the succeeding four chapters with Postal Rates during the adhesive period, 1851 to 1860.

The final chapter is devoted to Regulations and Procedures of the Nova Scotia and New Brunswick Post Offices.

For easy reference all the chapters have been sub-divided, consequently the listings of the postal markings and cancellations, together with their periods of use are easily located.

All known postal markings and cancellations are reproduced in the correct size, having been traced from covers or from impressions in the Proof Book of the G.P.O., London. They are well described in detail and for evaluation purposes the authors have introduced a rarity factor table which will convey to collectors

the relative rarity of these items.

The four appendices cover mileage table, sterling currency conversion tables, lists of Way and Post Offices 1754 to 1867 and finally a list of Deputy Postmaster Generals and Postmaster Generals of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick from 1782 to 1867.

New light is thrown on the story of the Charles Connell five cent stamp of 1860. The authors have based their version on editorials and articles published in *The Morning Freeman*, a St. John newspaper, which undoubtedly belonged to the opposition press and was very critical of the Government. It certainly makes most interesting reading; from this version one can readily understand the controversy that raged in New Brunswick over the impending issue—it was probably the scorn and ridicule to which Postmaster General Connell was subjected in the daily press that persuaded the Government to suppress the issue of this stamp.

Altogether 407 line and 110 half tone illustrations have been included and one is greatly impressed by the quality of reproduction; with the exception of the map of the stage-coach routes and post towns as they existed in 1855, on pages 146 and 147; the names of the towns certainly cannot be read nor can the coach roads be identified. This is unfortunate, as most collectors in Europe are not familiar with the location of the towns and ports to which the authors constantly refer. One would automatically consider that a clear and easily read map would be the first essential of any postal history publication.

As this is my only criticism of a volume of 400 pages, it is proof enough of the excellence of the information contained in this work and the authors are to be complimented on their knowledge and expertise which has enabled them to produce a publication which is outstanding in the Postal History field.

W. E. LEA

(A short notice of the publication of this work appeared in our August issue. For details other than those given above readers are asked to refer to the latter issue, page 154—*Editor*.)

## **From the Secretary**

During the past year, the Editor has requested members to supply details of their collecting interests, in order to bring the listing in the Year Book supplement up to date. Only about 25 members have in fact sent me any amendments to their entries, which still leaves a long way to go. Whilst minute detailing of sub-groups of collecting interests is not always possible on account of space, I have added several new groups to those already in existence, including Duplex (D), Hotel Covers (H), Railway Pictorial Cards (RC) Flag Cancellations (F) Illustrated Advertising Covers (Ad). I hope that members will check up on their listed interests during the year, and send me a corrected list in time for inclusion in next year's Year Book supplement.

May I once more ask any members when writing to me or other Officers, to print their name and address and please quote their membership number, since a great deal of time can be wasted in looking through the list of members to match up a spidery scrawl with its owner's name and address.

# Postmark Error



The above illustration of a very rare R.P.O. postmark error was first recorded in 1953.

The error in the spelling EMONTON instead of EDMONTON was very quickly observed by the Canadian Post Office and the handstamp concerned was withdrawn from use shortly after it was reported.

No other copies of the postmark are known but this is obviously a case where diligent search through the 1st Q.E. II issues might result in profitable finds for postmark collectors.

## OBITUARY

Daniel C. Meyerson, F.C.P.S.

The sudden death of Dan Meyerson on 8th September at the early age of 53 is an irreparable loss to the philately of Newfoundland. He was the foremost student in this field, and did an incredible amount of research ranging from pre-stamp covers to the perforations and varieties of modern issues. A prolific writer, he was eager to learn from any source, always checked his facts and was delighted to share his knowledge with others.

His death is a personal loss to all serious students of Newfoundland stamps and postal history, and we extend our deepest sympathy to his widow and young family.

R. W.



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**George Williamson**

## Letters to the Editor . . .

Mr. R. G. Woodall writes:

### Roller Cancellations

Have just read Dr. Hollingworths' article in *Maple Leaves* on Roller Cancellation, 1890-1911, and think I can add something of interest relating to their possible use as pre-cancels.

In my book "The Postal History of Yukon Territory, Chapter 13, page 2, I describe a cover in my collection which has the single-ring date-stamp of Dawson in purple dated in November 1898 (type S.1) struck towards the top right corner where it would have tied a stamp had one been in the normal position. The cover is addressed to Prince Edward Island, and has the arrival d/s of Feb. 1899. Just above the address in the centre of the envelope, there is a 3c. "Numerals" adhesive, which was then the correct postage. The stamp is cancelled with a roller of Victoria, B.C. like Dr. Hollingworths' Figure 1, with a thin 1 between the bars. It is not tied to the cover and the stamp must have been cancelled before being stuck on. At first one might think it a stamp that came off another cover, but there is no other indication of payment on this cover, nor tare for lack of pre-payment.

My conclusions are that owing to the great difficulties in communication with Dawson during 1898-99, and an unparalleled rush to send letters to friends outside on the last boat of the season, the post office, run by the North West Mounted Police, had no stamps left but accepted pre-payment in cash, which they may have actually forwarded with the letters to Victoria B.C., or at least enclosed an explanation and credit account. At Victoria this mail would then have stamps attached to see it safely on its farther travels. The quickest way to do the job was to cancel a sheet of stamps before dividing and sticking them on each letter, and the handiest canceller would be the roller.

I would be very interested to hear from anyone else who has a cover from the Yukon gold rush during the winter of 1898-99, and to try to check up on the period of the presumed stamp shortage at Dawson, Yukon Territory.

Mr. J. Millar-Allen writes:

### 1859 12½c.

"I was interested in the article in June *Maples Leaves* by Mr. Lees-Jones on the wing margin copy of the 12½c. showing the two plate dots in the margin.

I have a nice example of this but not on a badly centred copy. Mine is a strip of three numbers 38, 39 and 40 on the sheet with 40 having the selvedge attached and showing the dots.

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### **New Members**

Membership application forms (on the reverse of the "Small Ads" forms) accompany every issue of this journal. Completed application forms should be sent to the Secretary, along with the initial subscription of £1.

### **From the Treasurer**

Dear Members,

No doubt many of you may be wondering why notices for the payment of the 1964-65 subscriptions were sent out to reach all members by the end of September. It has been my experience during two years in office that only a small proportion of members pay their annual subscriptions without first receiving a notice. With the publication of the new Registered Letter Stamps Handbook in October it was necessary to have the funds required to finance this project available early in the new session. So far the response has been satisfactory but I would urge members to make a point of paying their dues on the 1st October annually or as soon thereafter as possible. It is also essential to have sufficient in hand to meet the cost of publishing *Maple Leaves* every two months so I would make this further appeal to those who are still in arrears to pay up **now**.

In April 1964 we suspended distribution of *Maple Leaves* to all members in arrears at that time and this procedure will be brought into effect with the April 1965 issue in respect of non-payers for 1964-65.

May I also ask your support for the work of the authors and the Handbook Committee by your placing orders with Mr. Cohen for the new Handbook and the earlier publications made by the Society, (see P. 205). It is only by clearing existing stocks that we can establish the quick turnover which assures a regular flow of text-books on the many aspects of Canadian Philately.

Although the payment of subscriptions by Bankers Order has been adopted by some members the number is very small in proportion to the size of this Society. I trust that there will be a wider use of this method in future.

I thank all members for co-operating so well with me in the past and for the many encouraging and kind messages which I receive in your letters. I regret that time does not permit me to reply to them all individually.

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Booking in at this year's Convention took the usual form. There were Jones's, Williams's, Evans's, McDuffs, McSporrans and a further band of very ruthless Yorkshire "Tykes." After that came a sprinkling of stray Englishmen who were allowed to enroll.

We first found our worthy President double banking his car in front of the hotel while he unloaded some display frames, much to the disgust of the drivers of a bus, twelve cars and a mini car, each vying with the other in blasting poor Graham with their horns. In any other town we would have been bailing him out of "jug" in order to start the Convention, but as he admitted himself he was "a little potty."

We were again pleased to welcome our first resident Canadian in Herb. Buckland to his fifth convention. We reckon he has travelled a mere 40,000 miles to be with us at our "does."

The Scots then dropped in their "Fifth Column" by producing Hugh Aitken (No. 18), one of "the few" (disguised as a Sassanach!).

An absentee for the first time was Dr. Willan. Now his wife says she is looking for a really good doctor.

We for our part found a really good Doctor by the name of Carstairs. If his National Insurance knowledge is as good as his knowledge of stamps his practice is made.

The first evening display "Stevie" put everybody to sleep with the aid of six albums of "Admirals."

Thursday morning Norman Todd ran a study circle on Elizabethian issues. Let nobody say "varieties" finished with the 1930 issues.

In the evening Major W. F. Ellis gave us a very fine treat with his "Large and Small Heads" with a running commentary by J.J.

Friday morning W. Williams ran a study circle on the small queens.

In the evening Stanley Cohen let us in for something with his display of "Squared Circles." For the rest of the convention we had about fifty "squares" running round in circles looking for these marks.

Next day at the Auction John Gilbert was able to squeeze the lemon till the pips squeaked at the very sight of such a post-mark.

On the afternoons of Thursday and Friday we had very nice quiet coach tours to enable us to catch up with lost sleep. We visited Arundel and then Petworth House with its wonderful display of paintings.

We were shown where Roman remains were found. We already had at least one small figure found in the district—"Heffie"!

Strange things do happen at Conventions when we find Lees-Jones, Stevie and Jack Cartwright trying to remember what they have forgotten about Canadian stamps and when P. G. Walker is seen going into a Hair Stylist's shop to buy, as

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When Wembley Williams said he saw two washing machines at Petworth House and said he was sure it was a "Re-entry" we did not dare tell him there was only one. It must have been the tea!

## **CONVENTION 1965 (20th - 23rd October)**

Our President has made a very happy choice of venue for next year's Convention in the Allan Water Hotel, Bridge of Allan, Stirlingshire. The hotel is perfect for our needs and is an ideal centre for seeing the beauties of the Highlands at the best time of the year.

Hotel bookings are already coming in and members are well advised to make provisional room bookings as single room reservations are already at a premium.

Send your bookings and requirements to :

Mr. Eddie McGuigan,  
26, Borestone Crescent,  
St. Ninians, Stirling.

You will have to be quick.

# ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 1964

The Treasurer reported that the arrangement whereby members who had not paid their subscription did not receive copies of *Maple Leaves* from April onwards had had a good effect on the payment of subscriptions, and the present position was that 16 members owed for 2 years, and 21 for one year, compared with 41 and 76 respectively in 1963. It was intended to repeat this idea commencing with the April issue next year. He had found that the majority of members pay only on receipt of a notice of dues, and he had therefore sent one to all members this year, with good results to date.

The Secretary, Dr. Hollingsworth, reported a drop in Membership, of 59 which made the present total 689. Of the 92 removals from the Society's rolls 40 had resigned and 41 had been removed for non payment of subscription.

The Exchange Packet Secretary, J. E. Bielby, reported that 21 packets were issued of total value £2,697 compared with 20 packets valued at £2,475 in 1963, but sales had dropped from £860 to £730. Commission on Sales was £55. He reported a case of "substitution" in one book, an occurrence which was very rare in this Society, and emphasized that this must not happen in a Society of the standing of the C.P.S. of G.B.

The Convener of Studies, G. Whitworth, reported that most members involved in study seemed to be individualists, and that anyone engaged on a particular study probably knew others similarly engaged, which lessened the need to keep up a card index of members interests. He proposed that Mr. A. E. Stephenson resume this office

The Librarian, R. S. B. Greenhill reported an increased use of the Library, 54 members having borrowed a total of 76 books.

The President, G. F. George reported that disturbing news of an increased number of forged cancellations in circulation had been received, and it was proposed to liaise with B.N.A.P.S. to discuss the problem.

## **Amendments to Constitution**

The amendments to Constitution as published in the August issue of *Maple Leaves* were adopted, and a loose sheet would be printed for distribution.

## **Convention Auction**

Mr. J. H. O. Gilbert reported that 33 members had sent in 214 Lots, which averaged one lot for each 21 members. There were two gift lots and 56 postal bid forms had been received. There was a deterioration in the quality of the material, and he pointed out that one could not sell to a specialist material which one would not accept for oneself, and whereas good material would sell well, since the buyers were exclusively B.N.A. collectors, poor material was a waste of time to all concerned. A marked improvement next year was hoped for, if there was to be any point in holding a Convention Auction.



## 1964 CONVENTION AWARDS

**Class 1** (Research and Study):—W. Williams for his comprehensive display of the 2 c. Small Queens.

**Class 2** (Study Group Displays):—Manchester Society for their interesting "Matched Coins and Stamps" entry.

**Class 3** (B.N.A. to 1897):—Geoffrey Whitworth for the magnificent collection of the 1 c. of 1859-68.

**Class 4** (B.N.A. after 1897):—R. B. Hetherington (Permit Stamps).

**THE STANLEY GODDEN TROPHY** also went to Geoffrey Whitworth.

**THE ADMIRAL CUP**:—Dr. Carstairs for his excellent study of the 7 c. Admiral 1912-22.

**THE BUNNY CUP**:—George Manley for his fine pre-cancel exhibit, with very large panes of the K.E.7 low values, etc.

**THE LEES-JONES TROPHY** (for Elizabethan issues) was withheld owing to paucity of entries.

**THE FOUNDER'S TROPHY**:—Ernest Whitley for his intensive research on the 1908 Tercentenary issue.

The entries in Classes 1 and 3 were superb, and presented the Judges (Stevie, Jim Cater and Evan Gill) with a very difficult task. Mrs. Barratt's Newfoundland Imperf. Rarities are always a joy to behold and Anthony Bailey's Early Canada (Imperfs. and Covers) were also delightful. All the other displays evoked enthusiastic comment from viewers, but entries of Elizabethan issues consisted of ONE only!

### Election of Fellows

Sir George Williamson (636) was elected to the Fellowship of the Society for his original research into the stamps of Prince Edward Island and into the Postal History of Canada.

Dr. C. W. Hollingsworth (424) was elected to the Fellowship of the Society for his original research covering a wide field in Postmarks and Cancellations ranging from Roller Postmarks and Slogans to the present day Railway Post Offices.

### 1964 Convention Awards

Founder's Trophy—E. Whitley (*Research on Quebec Issue*)

Godden Trophy—G. Whitworth, F.C.P.S. (*1859 Issue*)

Bunny Cup—G. E. L. Manley (*Precancels*)

Admiral Cup—Dr. M. W. Carstairs (*7 cents value*)

### Diplomas

#### Research and Study Class

W. Williams—(*2 cents Small Queen*)

Contributed Class (a) G. Whitworth—(*1859 Issue*)

(b) R. B. Hetherington—(*Postal Permits*)

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